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Proclamation of 18 December as International Migrant's Day

The Economic and Social Council,

Taking note of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2000/48 of 25 April 2000,

Considering that the Universal Declaration of Human Rights proclaims that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights and that everyone is entitled to all the rights and freedoms set out therein, without distinction of any kind, in particular as to race, colour or national origin,

Taking into account the large and increasing number of migrants in the world,

Encouraged by the increasing interest of the international community in the effective and full protection of the human rights of all migrants, and underlining the need to make further efforts to ensure respect for the human rights and fundamental freedoms of all migrants,

1. *Recommends* that the General Assembly consider proclaiming 18 December International Migrant's Day.

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